

# JUVENILE COURT HEALTH SERVICES POLICY

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## PURPOSE

To provide criteria to be used to identify youths that are appropriate for placement in the Probation Department Residential Treatment Service Bureau (Probation Camp).

## POLICY

All youth are to be evaluated for appropriateness for placement in or transfer to a camp facility. A decision will be made to approve/recommend or advise against placement to a camp facility based on medical/dental needs, restrictions, or conditions. In certain situations, a decision may be temporarily on hold because further information or medical/dental treatment is necessary.

## PROCEDURE

1. Each youth ordered to a camp or Probation placement will have a physical assessment completed by a Juvenile Court Health Services (JCHS) physician/nurse practitioner. One of the objectives of this assessment is to determine medical clearance.
2. A physician/nurse practitioner enters an order in PEMRS indicating medical clearance:
  - Cleared for Movement
  - Not Cleared for Movement – Youth is not medically cleared for movement stating reason(s) and time for possible clearance in the future.
3. A dentist places an order in PEMRS indicating dental clearance:
  - Dental Cleared for Movement
  - Dental Not Cleared for Movement – also must state the reason(s) and time for possible dental clearance in the future.
4. A juvenile hall nurse will review the electronic medical record of any youth with an order placed by Probation to a camp / Dorothy Kirby Center to confirm youth have been cleared by Medicine and Dental.
5. A nurse will complete a Movement Clearance form in PEMRS in order to notify Probation of youth's clearance status. If a youth is not cleared by Medical, Dental, and Mental Health, Nursing will not complete this form.

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6. A youth designated as a "Fragile Youth" (See Policy #C-205) may be cleared to camp if they are in stable condition and does not need continuous monitoring for medical care. They may still reside in a juvenile hall and reassessed for possible camp clearance at a later date. Once at camp, if their medical condition changes significantly, they may have to return to a juvenile hall for a medical hold.

## **AUTHORITY**

California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Article 8, Section 1432

## **REFERENCE**

NCCHC Standard Y-A-08  
JCHS Policy C-205 – Medically Fragile Youth and Medical Holds

## **REVIEW DATES**

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